

also consider an omnibus appropriations bill for fiscal year 1996. The House should finish business and have Members on their way home to their families by 2 p.m. on Friday, March 22.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I have one inquiry of my friend from Illinois, and that relates to the immigration bill, which he referred to in his statement.

The Committee on Rules is now meeting on the rule for that particular bill, and one of the most important pieces or one of the most important amendments that is being offered up in the Committee on Rules is a bipartisan amendment being offered by the gentleman from Kansas [Mr. BROWNBACK], the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. CHRYSLER], and the gentleman from California [Mr. BERMAN].

My question to my friend is, will that amendment be made in order? It is probably, if not the most important one, of the most important amendments in that bill, and it deals with the question of illegal immigrants separate from legal immigrants. It is better known as the amendment that would split the bill and in light of the fact that the Senate Republicans yesterday did so in the other body, I would hope that we would be able to have a debate on that particular amendment on the floor.

I yield to my friend from Illinois for a response.

Mr. HASTERT. I thank the gentleman for yielding. It would be speculation on my part to try to presuppose what the distinguished Committee on Rules would do. I really do not have an idea of what that final decision would be.

Mr. BONIOR. I thank the gentleman.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, MARCH 18, 1996

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HOBSON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

HOURLY MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1996

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 18, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 1996, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business

in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of May 12, 1995, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

TERM LIMITS GROUP NOT NONPARTISAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, it is hard for me to do this because usually when Members come to the well to talk about something from their State, they are popping with pride and they feel very good.

But I am here saying I am really ashamed, I am very ashamed that a group that originates in my State of Colorado is out saying they are one thing and really doing something else. I think this tells you how far we have fallen when it comes to this body and when it comes to playing politics and every other such thing.

In today's newspaper called Rollcall, there is an article about this. It talks about the two Democrats who are for term limits quitting this group because of what they have done and how partisan this group has become. This group is a tax-exempt Colorado-based group. It has a wonderful name that everybody should be for. When you hear this name you say, yes, it is Americans back in charge. And it also got tax exemption because, again, it said it was doing grassroots voter education and so forth on the issue of term limits.

Now, I will be very honest, I am not for term limits. But they have every right to do voter education, education on term limits as long as it is bipartisan and they are out there. But what have they done? Because the term limits legislation failed in this body, and I hope everybody realizes this body is not Democratically controlled right now, the Democratic Party does not control this body, that may be news to somebody, apparently it is news to this group in Colorado, but the term limits legislation failed in this Republican-majority Congress. And guess what they have done? They have raised \$3 million and targeted 14 Democrats. Not one Republican.

Now, there are Republican members of my delegation in Colorado who are not for term limits. But they did not target them. They did not target the local boys.

It is kind of embarrassing to think they did not know what the voting records were of people at home and,

they are targeting 14 people nationwide.

One of these people has now said that they are not running, so we are now down to 13 people. And they say they are going to spend \$3 million that people donated to them and got a tax exemption for because they thought it was voter education, \$3 million for radio ads and fliers against Democrats only.

Now, what does that equal? That equals about \$225,000-plus per district. That is a lot of radio ads. That is a lot of fliers.

I think a lot of us have gotten very concerned about how this money is collected under these wonderful sounding names, so people can deduct them and do all sorts of things, and then the next thing we know is it is being put to very political partisan usage.

I really salute the two Democrats who got off of this group and called it what it was, partisan, and saying it is doing one thing and really doing another. Those two Members were the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MEEHAN] and the gentleman from Minnesota [Mr. MINGE]. And I must say, as a Coloradoan, I am ashamed to have to stand here and say I agree with this analysis. But I think the American people have got to wake up and as they see people targeted for these term limits that are only Democrats, maybe they should ask some questions about why did this group not target Senator THURMOND. He just turned 93. He is running again, and he is for term limits. Please.

That does not pass the straight-face test, and I could list a whole lot of others that are out there posturing as the poster children for term limits, yet when you look at their career and you look at what they are doing, it does not compute.

Now, again, I say one more time, this is America, and we have the right to debate term limits out front. But it is absolutely wrong when you blame only Democrats for the failure of the term limits legislation when the Democrats do not control this House and when there is absolutely no bipartisanship involved at all in this voter education and you are doing it with tax-exempt money under the name of voter education.

We in Colorado usually stand very firm for good government, clean government, and at least play by the rules. And if you say you are nonpartisan, be nonpartisan.

So all I say is, to those 13 Members who are going to have this \$200,000-plus slapped at them, remind them who the real poster children are and what is really going on, and I hope Americans rise up and get very suspicious of this in the future.

WHY MEDICINE COSTS SO MUCH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. DUNCAN] is recognized for 5 minutes.